



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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RE: MUR 7098

Dear Mr. Woodhouse:

The Federal Election Commission has considered the allegations contained in your complaint dated July 6, 2016, and supplement dated September 14, 2016, but was equally divided on whether to find reason to believe Donald J. Trump for President, Inc. and Bradley T. Crate in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121(a)(2) and 11 C.F.R. §110.20(g) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, and whether to take no action at the time as to Donald J. Trump. In addition, the Commission was equally divided on whether to dismiss the complaint based on prosecutorial discretion. *See Heckler v. Chaney*, 470 U.S. 821 (1985). Accordingly, on July 31, 2018, the Commission closed the file in this matter. A Statement of Reasons providing a basis for the Commission's decision will follow.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See Disclosure of Certain Documents in Enforcement and Other Matters*, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,702 (Aug. 2, 2016).

The Federal Election Campaign Act allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. *See* 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(8). If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "LYN Y. TRAN", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lynn Y. Tran  
Assistant General Counsel